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I WENT  
THE  
OPPOSITE  
WAY OF  
THE FRONT  
GATE.

A  
GARDENLY?

OH,  
THAT'S  
RIGHT.



I SAID  
HALT UP!



HELP



# ***Handsome Girlfriend***

**[9]**





YOU  
REALLY  
EXPECT  
ME TO?



ANY

JUST  
STOP IT!  
I TOLD  
YOU TO  
LEAVE ME  
ALONE!



STOP  
SCREAM-  
ING!  
PEOPLE  
MIGHT  
COME.

HEY,  
JUST  
CALM  
DOWN.

ANY  
LET GO, I  
BARELY  
JUST  
DO AWAY!



HEY  
SOON



STOP  
HITTING  
ME.

ANY  
STUPID  
THAT  
HITS!



SMACK!



AYA &  
TERUOMI





I'LL  
MAKE  
IT EVEN  
BETTER  
THAN THE  
LAST.

I'LL  
WRITE  
A THIRD  
SCRIPT IN  
NO TIME.

SO  
LET ME  
GO!

THERE,  
I  
CALLED  
DOWN.



I'M  
SORRY  
I'M JUST  
A LITTLE  
JEALOUS.  
THAT'S  
ALL.

THAT'S  
NOT IT.

HEH?

JUST  
THINKING OF  
YOU MAKING  
A MOVIE WITH  
SOME OTHER  
GIRL REALLY  
MAKES ME  
MAD.

BECAUSE  
I CAN'T  
BE IN YOUR  
MOVIE THIS  
TIME, BUT  
THAT'S NOT  
ALL.

I'M  
SAD OB-  
VIOUSLY.



I  
THINK

TO  
TELL  
THE  
TRUTH.

YOU'RE  
KIND OF  
PRETTY  
WHEN  
YOU CRY.

rustle

WHEN  
IS YOUR  
MIST  
GONE?

AS LONG  
AS I DON'T  
HAVE TO  
LOOK HER AT  
HER FACE,  
I CAN SAY  
THAT.

blink...



Yeah  
will you  
see...

Is there  
any place  
special  
you want  
to go?



An  
amazing  
night  
place...

Do you  
promise  
not to  
laugh...

because it's  
childish and  
stupid?



Will you  
be you  
want  
to go?







I'M SO HAPPY!  
♡

IT'S BEEN  
SO LONG  
SINCE WE'VE  
GONE ON  
AN ACTUAL  
DATE!

Okay,  
I don't  
mind.



NOW LOOK  
UNUSUALLY  
HIGH-SPIRITED  
TODAY.

AH, I'M  
LOOKING  
FORWARD  
TO IT!  
  
I WONDER  
WHAT I  
SHOULD  
WEAR.



TAKE-  
EACH  
MOMENT!



# FREE TALK<sup>®</sup>

Well, we're finally at volume 5. For the special originally used for the recap of the story in Ribbon Magazine, I've placed two-shot pictures of my characters, the same as volume 5. Last time's pairings were friends and this time's pairings are couples.

I'm doing this because I've received several letters asking things like how is Otsuru's relationship with Yui going? Everyone's relationships are going quite smoothly so don't worry. Especially in Otsuru and Riku's case: ever since the side story I wrote for them, they haven't appeared together in any episodes. Many people wrote in saying I see Otsuru from time to time, but Riku is never with her. Please put her in!

So in the December issue of 1991 in Ribbon Magazine, I gave Riku some screen time and I thought that would satisfy her fans, but when they heard the next episode would be the last, they seemed to forget entirely about Riku and no one even mentioned her. Oh well, I guess it was inevitable.





I WONDER  
IF THERE'S  
ANY WAY I  
CAN DITCH  
HER.

ARENA  
THIS  
SUCKS.

DO I HAVE  
TO LISTEN  
TO THIS GIRL  
COMPLAIN  
ABOUT ME ALL  
THE WAY UNTIL  
WE GET TO  
SCHOOL?



ARRRGH,  
WHAT A PAIN  
IN THE ASS!

I COULD  
PRETEND  
I FORGOT  
SOMETHING  
AT HOME AND  
GO BACK  
OUT THEN TO  
BE LATE.

IT'S A  
LITTLE TOO  
LATE TO  
TELL HER  
I'M IN A  
HURRY AND  
GO AHEAD  
OF HER.



AAAAAAAAAAAA!



AH!

SUDDENLY

DASH!

I'LL  
JUST  
RUN  
AWAY!



WHY ARE YOU BOTHERING HER ANYWAY?

DIDN'T I TELL YOU?

I HATE HER.

HEY, WAIT UP!

YAAAAAAAA!

Yahahaha!

SHE RAN AWAY FROM NOW!

HAVE TO GO AND-SAY THAT AGAIN? ASH!



AND EVEN THOUGH SHE DOESN'T PUT FORTH ANY SERIOUS EFFORT, SHE GETS BY ON LUCK.

SHE WAS BOASTED AND ENTERED THE ENTERTAINMENT WORLD SO EASILY WITH NO REAL DESIRE.



WATCHING HER MADE ME SO FRUSTRATED.

IF I HAD BEEN CAST AS A, I WOULD HAVE DONE SO MUCH BETTER.

I WANTED TO BE A.

EVEN WITH PRIVATE A, SHE WAS ONLY GOOD IN THAT BECAUSE SHE HAD A GOOD DIRECTOR AND SCRIPT!

I TOOK A PROPER AUDITION, NOT SUCH





THAT'S  
WHY  
YOU'RE  
JEALOUS  
OF MID

YOU  
USED  
THE MOVIE  
PRIVATE K,  
DIDN'T  
YOU?



HAPPY

SO  
YOU'RE  
JUST  
JEALOUS

OH,



BUT THE  
REASON IT  
WAS SUCH A  
SUCCESS WAS  
BECAUSE MID  
WAS THE MAIN  
CHARACTER

JOHNA-SAN  
WAS ABLE  
TO DIRECT THE  
MOVIE WELL  
BECAUSE MID  
WAS STARRING

YOU  
WOULDN'T  
HAVE  
WORKED

4



I HEAR,  
EVEN YOU  
WERE REALLY  
COOL AND  
HANDSOME  
IN THAT  
MOVIE

ACTING  
LIKE THE  
IDEAL BOY  
I'M LOOKING  
AT NOW



I'M SURE THAT  
KIMAGIRI-SAN  
WILL BE ABLE  
TO FILM ME  
MUCH BETTER  
THAN HIM

THAT'S  
NOT  
TRUE



I'D ASK  
THE SAME  
OF YOU

LITTLE  
ADMONISH  
LITTLE  
ASSHOLE!

WHY  
DON'T YOU  
TRY THE  
HAPPY  
PERSONALITY  
ALREADY



YOU...

humpf



HAAPH!!



Hey guys, be sure to buy the theme song to the Fall Dance to Kurogane-Dance. It's sung by Hime's Sister from Canon! I'll also upload a "Spring" one I hope will sell right. (Sister's name) is called "Machiko the Little Girl". I hope you'll like it as much as "Machiko the Little Girl". The "Sister's Song" is also a great song to buy. I hope you'll like it as much as "Machiko the Little Girl".

MAKES  
I SHOULD  
MEET HIM

IS HE  
REALLY  
THAT GREAT?

AND  
HE'S  
SO NICE,  
TOO

YEAH,  
I CAN SEE  
WHY HE'S  
LIKE ONE IN  
A MILLION  
GOOD MAN

VERY DEAT  
AND SMART  
LOTS OF THE  
GIRLS THESE  
DAYS HAVE  
CRUSHES  
ON HIM

HE'S  
REALLY  
HAND-  
SOME,  
BUT HE'S

HMP  
DO YOU  
KNOW  
HIM?

HE  
COMPOSED  
ONE OF MY  
EARLIER  
SONGS  
FOR ME

YOU'VE  
ALL GOT  
BOY-  
FRIENDS!

WHO  
ARE  
YOU  
TO  
TALK?

Kim 2

YEAH!

IT'S NOT  
LIKE WE  
WANT TO  
GO OUT WITH  
HIM OR  
ANYTHING

WE  
CAN TALK  
ABOUT  
HANDSOME  
GUYS IF WE  
WUNT

HMP BUT  
THAT HAS  
NOTHING  
TO DO  
WITH IT.

SHOW

NOT  
LIKE I  
REALLY  
CARE

HEY

HEHE

IS  
THAT  
BOY

YEAH

Don't tell  
anybody

YEAH





## FREE TALK ②

Despite the fact that my 4-leaf clover indoor plant set (the one I mentioned in the *FreeTalks* from volume 5) was a failure, I have bought another one.

This time, it's representational and I'm planning on planting it this spring. I'm sure looking forward to it. I hope it survives. By the way, my 4-leaf clover plant slowly died away once then (and it didn't even produce flowers. Darn.)

Also, the first mysterious Gary-tale I talked about in my *FreeTalks* from volume 4 was from a book called *Utsushi-kun no Daisetsuwa* (Utsu's big invention). I think it was called *Child Salacious* or *Two readers wrote in and told me about that. Thank you. One of these days, I'd like to buy that book. But for some reason, neither of them knew the name of the author.*





IT PROBABLY IS  
A GOOD IDEA NOT  
TO GET TOO STUCK  
ON ME AND TO TRY  
OUT SOME OTHER  
PEOPLE FROM  
TIME TO TIME

SINCE I'M  
GOING TO BE  
A PRO FROM  
NOW ON,



I DON'T  
THINK THIS  
IS REALLY  
WHAT YOU  
WANT.

WELL,  
IT'S YOUR  
CHOICE

JUST  
LETTING YOU  
KNOW I'M  
AGAINST IT



AA-  
ACH  
OHHH

GOOD  
MORNING

Yay!

GOOD  
MORNING



NOW,  
SACHO-SAN,  
YOU'RE SHARP

HAHP

DID SOME-  
THING GOOD  
HAPPEN TO YOU?

YOU SEEM  
REALLY HAPPY

OH,  
THANKS

THEN SAW  
THIS IS  
OUR TIME  
SCHEDULE  
FOR TODAY.



A DATE  
WITH  
ZOMMA,  
HMP

AH-  
HAH,

AFTER WORK  
TODAY, I'M  
GOING OUT









## FREE TALK ⑤

Since this is the last volume, I'll give you some insider info.

The first half of this manga was supposed to be turned into a movie. To top it off, some of the most popular actors, actresses, and idols were cast to play the parts, and even a script was written.

So, since it was better for publicity if I went still drawing the manga when the movie opened, they had me write a part 2 to the manga. But in the end, the movie deal never went through (apparently, the actors they chose turned it down for some other movie). But since it was turned into a CD and an anime OVA, I'm satisfied I never got a chance to read the script for the movie, but according to my current editor at the time, Ichiro's mother was dead, and Ichiro held a grudge against his father for always working constantly. It was apparently a very happy movie. But I still would have liked to read the script. It would probably be a good laugh.







KOHEI-  
FAM



WILL YOU  
STAY WITH  
ME?

MO-  
CHAU

IS THERE  
ANYTHING  
I CAN GET  
YOU?

DOES  
IT STILL  
HURT?

A  
LITTLE

NO



HE MUST  
BE WORRIED  
ABOUT BEING  
SICK.

THE POOR  
THING, I  
GUESS I'M  
ALL HE CAN  
COUNT ON  
NOW.

DON'T  
WORRY.

I'LL  
STAY  
WITH  
YOU





I FORGOT  
ABOUT  
KARINAE

OH,  
DAMN

IF ONLY  
HER MOTHER  
WERE STILL  
ALIVE.



AH, I WISH WE  
HAD ARRANGED  
TO MEET AT  
SOME STORE.

IT'S  
WAY PAST  
TIME

WHAT  
SHOULD  
I DO?

I WONDER  
IF HE'S STILL  
WAITING.  
HE PROBABLY  
LEFT.



THAT'S IT

THEN I'D  
BE ABLE TO  
CALL HIM







DING  
DONG







BUT RYCHE  
IS WITH HIM.  
HE'LL BE  
FINE.

HMP BUT  
KOHSHI-KU  
IS STILL...



I'M  
REALLY  
SORRY.

YOU  
SEE,  
KOHSHI-  
KU IS...

I KNOW  
THE STORY  
OSAME  
TOLD ME.

BRING  
YOUR DAD.  
WE'RE  
LEAVING.



BUT

KOHSHI-KU  
KEEPS CRYING  
AND TELLING  
ME NOT TO  
LEAVE.



CAN'T  
YOU NOTICE  
RYCHE'S LEWD  
GLANCES IN  
YOUR DIRECTION,  
YOU STUPID  
WOMAN!!

I JUST DON'T  
WANT YOU TO  
BE ALONE IN  
THIS HOUSE.  
DON'T YOU  
GET IT?!



WHY  
ARE YOU  
TALKING  
TO ME  
LIKE  
THAT?!



BUT YOUR  
STAYING WITH HIM  
ISN'T GOING TO  
MAKE HIM HEAL  
ANY FASTER.

LET'S  
GO!











I NEVER  
EXPECTED  
KIHITA COULD  
BE SO COLD!

OF COURSE  
HE'S NOT  
COMPARABLE  
TO YOU!

I CAN'T LEAVE  
THIS PRECIOUS  
BOY ALONE.

WELL, HE  
CAN JUST  
GO TO HELL  
FOR ALL  
I CARE!



HAH!

THIS BOY  
REALLY IS  
A GENIUS-  
ACTOR.





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THAT'S  
RIGHT

I'M  
NOT  
BRING  
MY-  
SELF.



JUST  
SWAP OUT  
OF IT  
ALREADY

YOU'RE  
NOT BRING  
YOURSELF



I'VE BEEN  
DEPRESSED,  
JEALOUS,  
VIOLENT,

AND  
SAID  
WEIRD  
THINGS.

EVER SINCE I  
STARTED OBTAIN-  
ING HER, I'VE DONE  
MANY THINGS THAT  
SEEMED OUT OF  
CHARACTER

THIS IS THE  
FIRST TIME  
I'VE EVER  
LET SOMEONE  
ELSE GET  
TO ME.







BUT I FEEL  
PRETTY STUPID

CHANGING  
BECAUSE  
OF A GIRL

BUT  
THAT'S  
ONLY NATURAL

EVERYONE  
GETS LIKE  
THAT WHEN  
THEY'RE IN  
LOVE



GUESS  
YOU'RE  
RIGHT...

CHANGING  
BECAUSE OF  
ONE GIRL  
ISN'T ALWAYS  
THE



BEING  
LOVE IS  
ALL ABOUT  
FEELING  
STUPID

I CAN'T  
TELL YOU

THAT  
MADE  
YOU SO  
DEPRESSED?

JUST WHAT  
"WORD THING"  
DID YOU  
TELL HER

AND  
BOY



OSAMU,

YOU'RE  
HANGING  
OUT WITH  
THIS  
AREN'T  
YOU...

I PROMISE  
I WON'T TELL  
ANYONE!  
PLEASE!  
PLEASE!  
PLEASE!

ANYWAY,  
COME ON!  
TELL ME!  
PLEASE!  
PLEASE!



SHŌ &  
SHINORU







SAND-  
SAND  
BUT I STILL  
WANT TO  
MAKE UP  
WITH HIM.



TRRRR



OH,  
SCHWAP



HUUU



TRRRR

OH, THAT  
MUST BE  
MO-CHAU



TRRR

GET IT?



COME TO THINK OF IT,  
IT'S ALMOST MID-NIGHT.





## FREE TALK ㊦

Here's another reader-story. The truth is, I had planned from the very start to end part 2 with Ichigo and Mao reuniting at the place they first met. However, it's not always up to the Manga-La editors she decides to end her stories.



Since it would be a little odd to show the OVA's premiere with the manga over, I was asked to continue it "just a bit longer", so I ended up having to write another 5 episodes (Hafuch means 5 months). I was upset, but at least I got to invent three new characters (Myken, Kaken, and Michen). But the character I had the most problems with for these last five episodes was Ichigo. He gets jealous, does strange things, does badly at his job... But I did all of this to him in response to all the letters begging me to have more scenes with Ichigo being in love with Mao. So I guess I lost to the power of the fans.





IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO PUT SOME DISTANCE BETWEEN US SO I CAN CONCENTRATE ON WORK.

BUT IT'S THE TRUTH THAT WE'LL BE BACK FROM NEXT WEEK ON.

There  
let some  
more!



ATTEM.

I WONDER IF IT'S OKAY TO TALK TO HER LIKE THAT



JUST DON'T COME CRASH TO ME IF RICHIE TAKES HER AWAY FROM YOU WHILE SOMEONE NOT WATCHING

I'M IN NO MOOD TO DEAL WITH HER STRANGE MOODS EITHER.



THAT'S NEVER BEEN HAPPEN,  
SOMEBODY



YOU  
WANT  
TO  
TALK  
TO  
HER  
NOW?

SLAM









WOO-  
CHAAAAA,  
HURRY,  
HURRY!



...WHAT  
A NICE  
DAY.

I DON'T  
ASAP I  
DON'T HAVE  
ANYTHING  
ELSE TO DO  
ANALOG

BUT NOW  
JUST  
INSISTED  
YOU  
COME...

FOR  
CALLING  
YOU ON  
SUCH  
SHORT  
NOTICE



I WONDER  
IF YOU'VE  
ALREADY  
STARTED...

CHYA...

YOU'RE  
CRANKING-  
IN TODAY,  
AREN'T  
YOU?



## FREE TALK ㊦

This is an old story, but since Haruka Enko from CoCo was going to sing the opening theme to the OVA, I went to CoCo's concert... and before that, I met personally with Enko.

From the pictures of her I'd seen, I always thought she was the most mature-looking member of CoCo and that instead of "cute" she was more "beautiful". She had the kind of face that I knew would look great when she got older and if she dressed in a little more... I was under the impression that her personality was also very mature, but when I met her in person, I discovered she was just an ordinary teen. And on top of that, I was surprised when she told me she went to the same junior high and high school I went to.

I feel a lot more special having had her shared my junior high and high schools rather than college. I really loved my junior high and high schools. And incidentally, T-tensei which I mentioned on page 164 of volume 4 is apparently still teaching geography there and he still shows "Holocaust". I would have expected he'd have moved onto another program by now... "Sweetdrop"







THERE'RE  
LOTS OF  
PEOPLE  
HERE!

OH, HEY!  
THIS WAY!

...

He  
wants  
me!



... KOHEI  
PROMISED  
HE'D HELP ME  
GET MID.

BUT I GUESS  
HE REALLY  
WANTS MID FOR  
HIMSELF.



IT'S BEEN A  
WHILE SINCE  
I'VE SEEN  
KOHEI SMILE  
SO MUCH.



OH  
WELL.

THAT'S  
OKAY











I WON'T

DIRECT THIS  
MOVIE



NO WAY

NO WAY



WHA...

NO WAY

BUT IT'S  
TOO LATE  
NOW...

WHAT'S  
GOTTEN  
INTO  
YOU?

CAN YOU  
DIRECT  
INSTEAD  
OF ME?

IF I  
DIRECT  
THIS MOVIE,  
IT'LL BE A  
DISASTER

I'LL RUN  
TAKESHI'S  
CAREER



I  
JUST  
CAN'T  
DO IT

AS I WROTE  
THE SCRIPT, I  
ALWAYS HAD AN  
ID IN MIND, AND THE  
WAGE STUCK...

## FREE TALK ②

When I asked Enko what she thought about *Handsome*, she said it was a very "quant" story.

Since this manga had not supposed to be a "manga about celebrities", but a manga about a girl named Aoi who also happens to be an actress. I wrote it with the intent to leave out such difficult things for Aoi like having a hard time at work or not being able to remember her lines and such.

But, I am sure that being a real celebrity must be a lot of hard work (although it also has its perks).

When asked about the name, Enko said that she thought *Apink's* voice fit her perfectly, but she thought it was strange that she was singing Apink's song for her. But it was okay. She did a great job! After all, she IS my fellow school-mate.

Yuu Jinshi









HE GET  
TO SEE HIS  
SCRIPT, SO  
WHAT'S THE  
DIFFERENCE?

THERE'S NOTHING  
TO CARE ABOUT  
IT'S JUST LIKE HE  
MADE YOU QUIT

DON'T WORRY  
I'M SURE  
ONITA-SAN  
WILL FIND US  
A GOOD  
DIRECTOR

SO  
CHEER  
UP

OKAY?

I WON'T  
BE AS  
HAND-  
SOME  
AS KASHI-  
KURA-  
SAN

WAS IN  
"PRIVATE  
A"

I CAN'T DO  
IT UNLESS  
KAMAGAI-  
SAN IS THE  
DIRECTOR!  
I JUST  
CAN'T!



DO YOU  
HAVE A  
THING  
FOR ME?



ATSUMI,



BUT YOU'RE  
UNUSUALLY  
NICE TO ME  
TODAY,  
SO I  
WON-  
DERED...



WHY THE  
HELL DID  
YOU HAVE  
TO SAY  
THAT?!

DO YOU  
ALWAYS  
HAVE TO  
BE SUCH  
A DRAMA-  
QUEEN?!



I GUESS  
I MIGHT  
FALL FOR  
HOW CUTE  
OF THESE  
ONES!

AS  
LONG AS  
YOU'RE  
NICE TO  
ME,



SO  
YOU'RE  
NOT...





HELL, NO  
NO WAY  
I'M GOING  
OUT WITH  
THE LIES  
OF YOU



WHAT A  
LITTLE  
BITCH!!



I  
COULD  
GO OUT  
WITH YOU









Miss  
Hortense is  
much more  
important  
than you  
consciously  
think she is...



I'm sure  
that to you,

...SHE'S JUST MY GIRLFRIEND.

**OUT FROM THE DAY  
WE STARTED DATING.**



I'VE BEEN FALLING MORE AND  
MORE IN LOVE WITH HER.



IT'S GOTTEN TO THE  
POINT WHERE I DON'T CARE  
IF I MAKE MOVIES OR IF  
SHE ACTS IN THEM.

I JUST LOVE HER  
SO MUCH,

SHE'S ALL  
I CAN THINK  
ABOUT.



I JUST CAN'T

LET HER GO.







IT  
WASNT  
DATE  
LIKE  
THAT

IF YOU HAD  
MARRIED SO  
EARLY, YOU  
WOULD HAVE  
REALLY BEEN  
IN LOVE

I MET  
MY WIFE

I MET  
HITOMI BACK  
IN THE MUSIC  
COLLEGE WE  
WENT TO



BUT I LIKED  
HITOMI SO MUCH  
THAT I FORGOT  
SHE HAD A GIRL  
AND SHE BECAME  
MY BEST FRIEND

UP UNTIL THEN,  
I HAD HAD A LOT  
OF EXPERIENCE  
WITH ALL KINDS  
OF WOMEN.



APPARENTLY,  
SHE PROMISED  
HER FATHER THAT  
IF HE LET HER GO  
TO COLLEGE TO  
STUDY MUSIC  
INSTEAD OF  
MEDICINE, SHE  
WOULD COME  
HOME AND MARRY  
A DOCTOR AS  
SOON AS SHE  
GRADUATED?

SHE'S  
THE ELDEST  
DAUGHTER  
OF A DOCTOR  
IN KANAGAWA,  
YOU KNOW

MARRIED?

HITOMI  
IS?

BUT  
WHEN IT  
CAME  
TIME TO  
GRAD-  
UATE





starrre







BUT I  
CAN'T BE  
A WIDOWER  
THE REST OF  
MY LIFE...

THAT'S  
RIGHT...  
I WILL  
DO LOVE  
HIDEKI  
AND I'LL  
NEVER  
FORGET  
HER.



I CAN'T  
HAVE  
HER

MOVED  
BY THAT  
STORY...

LET ME  
TALK  
TO YOU  
ABOUT  
THE OTHER  
SIDE OF  
THE



BUT HE NEVER  
LIKED ANY  
OF THEM.

I'VE BROUGHT  
HOME MANY  
GIRLFRIENDS.

AND KOHEI  
NEEDS A  
MOTHER.

THAT'S  
RIGHT  
KOHEI.



NO-  
CHAI.



THERE'S  
SOME-  
THING I  
HAVE TO  
ASK YOU

THAT'S  
THE FIRST  
GIRL HE'S  
ACCEPTED...









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I  
ALREADY  
HAVE  
LOHNA

I'M  
SORRY,  
THAT'S  
NOT IT

YOU'RE  
A GREAT  
GUY OUT,



THERE ARE  
PLANTS OF  
MEU IN THE  
WORLD

ARE YOU  
SERIOUSLY  
GOING TO  
DECIDE YOUR  
HUSBAND  
AT SUCH  
A YOUNG  
AGE?



BUT  
I STILL  
CHOOSE  
HIM

THERE  
ARE TONS  
OF MEU  
BETTER  
THAN  
LOHNA

I'M  
SURE  
THAT

BETTER  
THAN  
HIM

MEU  
BETTER  
THAN  
HIM?









whack

CRASH



I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING TO YOUR GIRL, YOU KNOW...

WHAT WAS THAT FOR? OWIE...



JUST THINK OF THIS AS PAINBACK FOR YOU HITTING ME TEN YEARS AGO!

OF COURSE YOU DIDN'T!

I JUST FELT LIKE WHACKING YOU ONCE













## FREE TALK ㊦

Now, some words about CoCo's concert.

Since I hadn't been to an idol-concert before, I didn't quite know what to expect. I thought it might be something along the lines of several boys with unhealthy obsessions cheering desperately for her, but what I did see was a bunch of bright and happy boys, the type I expect did have serious real girls on their minds and weren't too obsessed over CoCo. But even though they might have been a little too obsessed, they were so happy and cheerful about it, that I was very impressed with their power and the fact that they didn't seem to care what others thought.

To tell the truth, this is the first time I had ever seen such a lively concert (the audience, I mean).

To be continued





YESH

BUT  
IT'S OK  
NOW...



OH  
SOME-  
THING  
HAPPEN?

WHAT  
HAP-  
PENED?

NOW  
WERE  
SUPPOSED  
TO FILM  
TODAY,  
WEREN'T  
WE?



WHAT?

I  
QUIT



OUCH!

SOMEONE  
HITTING  
ME!

WAIT A  
MINUTE!

STOP  
PULLING  
ON ME!!









AUD HOW  
YOU'RE HERE  
TRYING TO  
GET CLOSE  
TO ME, BUT  
I REALLY DON'T...

I  
DON'T  
HAVE  
THE  
MOOD...

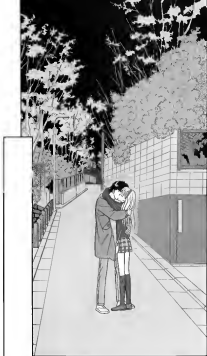


APPEARING ALL  
OF A SUDDEN,  
AND HITTING  
SAHO-SENSEI,  
AND MAKING  
KORE-HUN  
CRY.

THEN YOU  
SAY YOU'RE  
GOING TO GET  
AS DIRECTOR...  
I REALLY DON'T  
UNDERSTAND  
YOU!











# FREE TALK ②

After all, the boys' cries of the girls' names and their hand-clapping continued through the whole show. (Boys really do have lots of energy.)

I guess when people go to see actual musicians who composed their own music perform, they're more interested in hearing the music, but with idols, they're more interested in cheering and helping the idols perform! At least that's what I thought after seeing the concert. Thinking how good it must feel to have your name screamed from your fans and to hear them singing and clapping along with your songs... I started to envy CoCo a little bit. [Yeah, I'd feel insulted if the audience didn't listen to me.]

So to put it short, I had a lot of fun watching CoCo and their fans. (There were a few girls there, too.) I had fun. (To tell the truth, I had a difficult time seeing the stage most of the time.) This makes me feel like trying out a concert by a boy-band sometime. Though it might be a little scary!



BECAUSE  
DON'T YOU  
THINK IT  
WOULD BE  
MORE FUN  
TO SEE  
TOGETHER?

WHY?

IF YOU  
REALLY  
WANT TO  
SEE IT,  
WHY DON'T  
YOU GO  
ALONE?

WHY DO  
YOU HAVE  
TO SEE IT  
WITH ME?



WHY?  
THAT'S NOT  
TRUE AT  
ALL...

WELL,  
WELL YOU  
TELL ME  
THE STORY  
YOURSELF  
WHAT'S IT  
ABOUT?

NOT  
LARRY!

YOU'RE  
ONLY  
TEASING ME  
BECAUSE  
YOU KNOW I  
HATE BEING  
PLAYED!



ARE  
YOU A  
SPORT?

IT'S A BIT  
SCARY,  
BUT I'M  
NOT  
AFRAID!  
I'M  
NOT  
AFRAID!  
I'M  
NOT  
AFRAID!  
I'M  
NOT  
AFRAID!

YOU  
WANT ME  
TO TELL  
THE STORY  
AGAIN?

The 40-year war between planets d and F was just starting to subside



The story is set on the planet D.



The hero of the story, Aleth, is the first prince of Planet D. He just turned 18.

And then, Aleth met Lute.



Normally, Aleth was at an age where he would become the king of the planet, but since he was highly intelligent and educated and a top-rate scientist, he was permitted to study at his own laboratory for two years.

## FREE TALK ①

writing original short stories for *Raison Original Magazine* while I was writing the serial in the main *Raison Magazine* was very difficult.

Since it damaged me considerably emotionally and physically, I wanted to make these stories light and carefree! So that's how I came up with *Grain Age*. If I hadn't been working on *Hanazome*, I would have been able to write many more short stories that were powerful, but I just didn't have it in me ("twisted"?)

I had lots of extra things to do at that time, too (like the cooking letter set in November's issue and the cover for September's *Grain Age*, I really had a lot of work). But since that was a one-time story deal, I decided to change my art style a little. But I ended up just changing the eye design a little, and the rest was normal.

She wasn't a human, but a highly-intelligent and human-like android.



She was another top-rate scientist. The same level as Aeth.



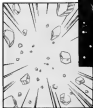
Aeth and Lute spend the days together alone in their lab.



they conducted an experiment.



Then, one day...



BUT  
FOR THE  
FIRST TIME,  
HE REALIZED  
THE HORRIBLE  
DESTRUCTIVE  
POWERS THEY  
HELD.

WHEN ALTH  
SAW THIS, HE  
WAS SHOCKED  
HE HAD BEEN  
EXPERIMENTING  
WITH WEAPONS  
ONLY BECAUSE  
IT WAS FOR  
HIM



THE NEWLY-  
SHAPED  
MOONLE ALTH  
CREATED  
SHASSED AN  
EULHABITED  
PLANET TO  
PIECES



and the  
two fell  
in love.



Lute  
comforted  
the  
distressed  
Alth.

Lute was captured, and taken apart.



But the love between a future king and an android was forbidden.



Aeth witnesses this scene



And to make matters worse,

SEE, I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T LIKE IT, SO DON'T WATCH IT.

WHAT A DARK, DEPRESSING STORY!

HOW ANGRY!

WHAT?!

A LOT HAPPENS AFTER THAT,

BUT IN THE END, AN EMOTIONALLY-DISTRESSED AETH GOES OFF INTO BATTLE IN A SUICIDE MISSION AND DIES











WHAT  
DO YOU  
ABOUT  
OF  
COURSE  
I DIDN'T?

WAS  
IT  
REAL?  
DIDN'T  
YOU DO  
IT FOR  
REAL?



ISN'T  
THAT THE  
MOST IMPORTANT  
PEOPLE  
DO IT? IT'S  
HARD TO  
ACT THAT  
KIND OF  
SCENE,  
SO I JUST  
HAD TO DO  
WITH MY  
INSTRUCTIONS!

I DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT THE  
HELL  
YOU'RE  
TALKING  
ABOUT!



B-BUT  
YOU DID  
IT THE  
EXACT  
SAME  
WAY YOU  
DO IT  
WITH  
MIMI!

YOU  
ALWAYS  
PUT MIMI  
HAND JUST  
ABOUT MY  
EARS!



NO, I  
DIDN'T!

WHY DO  
YOU ALWAYS  
HAVE TO  
TRUST WHAT  
I SAY??

HOW  
INSTRUCTIVE?

SO YOU  
REALLY  
DID DO  
IT FOR  
REAL?





MY  
HEART  
ACHES.

I'M  
JUST  
SO  
HAPPY.

WHA-  
WOOF!

There you  
go drama  
queen.



I'VE  
EXPER-  
IENCED  
THIS  
FEELING

SO MANY  
TIMES,  
BECAUSE  
OF ICHYA.

AND  
I'M SURE  
I'LL CONTINUE  
TO EXPERIENCE  
IT

FROM  
NOW  
ON!



IT'S TOO  
LOOSE!





EVENTUALLY

I'LL  
GIVE YOU  
A REAL  
ONE.

A REAL ENGAGEMENT RING.







I'M  
LOOKING  
FORWARD  
TO THAT  
DAY



ME  
TOO.



AM I  
IT TO ME AT  
CHRISTMAS?

IT'S MORE  
LIKE IT  
SOON,  
TAYLOR?

Good luck, Mo and Ichigo

See you again someday



Handsome Girlfriend / END



# Handsome Girlfriend

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# Green Age



FROM TODAY  
ON, I'LL BE IN  
HIGH SCHOOL.

HOW EXCITING!  
NEW FRIENDS,  
NEW TEACHERS,  
AND A NEW  
LOVE!

The  
new  
school  
is  
great!

HEHEHEHE

WHAT  
A  
NICE  
DAY!



THAT'S  
OKAY...



OOPS,  
SORRY

**BUMP**

THAT'S  
RIGHT.  
I'LL JUST  
FORGET  
ABOUT  
EVERYTHING  
THAT  
HAPPENED  
BEFORE...

# Green Age











TEIWA'S OLDER  
THAN DURING  
JUNIOR HIGH

OH-HO,  
SO  
YOU WENT  
OUT WITH



WHY  
DID YOU  
BREAK  
UP?



SEAN

BUT IT  
DOESN'T  
SEEM LIKE  
TEIWA KNOWS  
ABOUT THAT



I'm sorry  
Mikako

I'm  
really  
sorry...

HE SAID  
HE FOUND  
SOMEONE  
ELSE...



HE  
DUMPED  
ME



I PURPOSELY  
WENT TO A  
DIFFERENT  
HIGH SCHOOL  
TO GET AWAY  
FROM HIM

BUT TO  
THINK HE  
HAD A  
TRUMP



BUT EVEN  
AFTER HE  
BROKE UP,  
IT WAS STILL  
HARD TO  
FACE HIM,

BUT IT WAS  
HARD NOT  
TO SINCE  
HE WENT TO  
THE SAME  
SCHOOL

AND  
TO MAKE  
MATTERS  
WORSE,

YOU GUYS ARE IN  
THE SAME CLASS  
AND AFTER-SCHOOL  
CLUB- SO I GUESS  
EVERY TIME YOU  
SEE TETSU, YOU'RE  
REMINDING OF YOUR  
BAD PAST...



USUALLY,  
THEIR PARENTS  
LIKE TO SEND  
THEM TO  
SEPARATE  
SCHOOLS  
TO AVOID  
CONFUSION.

I'VE  
HEARD  
ABOUT  
THAT BOMB  
BEFORE.

BUT WHY DID  
THEY HAVE TO  
SEND TETSU  
HERE? IT'S  
LIKE THEY'RE  
OUT TO GET  
MAY



THAT'S  
FOR  
SURE

OWWWW,  
OF ALL  
THE LL



ACK,  
SPEAK  
OF THE  
DEVIL...

OH,  
SORRY



HEY,  
HACHIRO!  
TAKE THIS  
BRUSH AND  
BUCKET

AND  
START  
PAINTING  
THE  
GATES?

OH,  
OKAY

Make them  
without wood  
and water



HOW  
JERKING  
TAKING LONG  
GACHAG

WE'VE  
ALREADY  
STARTED  
CLEANING  
THE  
COUNTRY



AREN'T YOU  
GONNA HELP?

HELP  
HIS  
TETSU!



SAY,  
MIRANO,

...ASS-  
HOLE!

HE  
ALWAYS  
GIVES  
HIMSELF  
THE BLAM  
DOES!

I'VE  
GOT  
THE  
JOB

I hope to  
become a  
great artist



TETSU HAS THE  
SAME FACE OF  
THE BOY YOU  
WERE ONCE IN  
LOVE WITH.

DON'T YOU  
EVER GET  
SERIOUS  
AROUND  
HIM?



HE WASN'T  
AS ANNOYING  
OR IMMATURE  
AS TETSU.

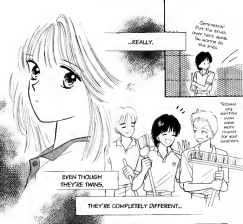
LUCKY-FAN  
WAS MORE  
CALM AND  
MATURE

CHIN

AS IF!

THOSE  
TWO ARE  
COMPLETELY  
DIFFERENT.

I'M JUST  
SO BICK  
OF THAT  
FACE AND  
DESIGN.



...REALLY.

Someday!  
Put the brush  
over your face.  
We want to  
see you.

Even  
my sister's  
class were  
proud  
for our  
seniors.

EVEN THOUGH  
THEY'RE TWINS,

THEY'RE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT...



I HAD TO  
READ THIS  
BOOK

RUSH!  
NO WAY



HIGH-  
NOOD,  
LET'S  
PRACTICE  
TOGETHER!

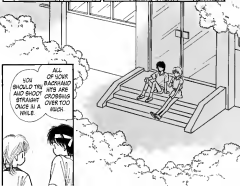


TEACHER  
SAID  
SECOND  
PRIZE IS  
AN OPEN-  
BOOK  
SHOW

B

Back  
off!





LET'S PRACTICE YOUR BACKHAND STROKE FOR A WHILE AND TRY HITTING IT STRAIGHT.

THIS VOICE...

BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO SHOOT IT SO POWERFULLY THAT KUN.

AH.

DO NOT SHOOT THAT HARD.

BUT IF I SHOOT IT CASUALLY WITH MY BACKHAND, THEN IT'S EASIER.

IF I CLOSE MY EYES, IT FEELS LIKE I'M WITH NAO-KUN AGAIN.

THEY REALLY ARE ALIVE.

STOP. SLEEPING WHILE I'M TALKING TO YOU.

OWWWW!

**BONK**

YOU'LL COME SEE ME, WON'T YOU?

SURE.

REALITY THAT'S IMPRESSIVE.

I'LL SOON PLAY SINGLES AT THE BOYS TENNIS MATCH NEXT WEEK.

I HADN'T THOUGHT ABOUT YOU BEFORE.



OH,  
WELL...

YOUR OLDER  
BROTHER WAS  
IN THE BASE-  
BALL CLUB,  
SO I...



WHY?

JUST BE  
KIDS TO BE  
GOOD AT  
TENNIS.

I THOUGHT  
FOR SURE  
YOU'D BE IN  
BASEBALL.

BUT I'M  
SURPRISED  
YOU WERE IN  
THE TENNIS  
CLUB ALL  
THROUGH  
JUNIOR  
HIGH.



DO YOU THINK  
IT'S WEIRD FOR  
IDENTICAL  
TWINS TO NOT  
HAVE THE SAME  
HOBBIES?

WELL, NOT  
REALLY.



BUT LITTLE  
BY LITTLE,

HAD  
GOT BETTER  
THAN HIS AT  
PITCHING AND  
HITTING.

ACTUALLY,

WHEN WE  
WERE YOUNGER,  
WE WERE IN THE  
BOYS' BASEBALL  
LEAGUE  
TOGETHER.



## FREE TALK®

The school uniforms in *Green Age* are exactly the same design as the uniforms I wore in junior high. So this means Harada

Enka-chan also wore the uniform in junior high (our high school had no uniforms). I was originally hoping that some other girls from my junior high would read this story and notice the uniforms, but no one did "twistedrop" Well maybe since it's a very generic uniform, no one noticed. Or else, maybe, some of my readers did go to my junior high, but just didn't read *Green Age*.

Come to think of it, I didn't even get many letters from people in Tokyo clubs. I guess Tokyo, though very popular in college, isn't too big in high schools...



IT GOT BORING AND POINTLESS, SO I QUIT.

AND TOOK UP TENNIS INSTEAD. EVER SINCE WE WERE BORN, RAO'S DONE BETTER THAN I HAVE.

HE'S SMARTER THAN I AM, TOO.

That's why he's always so much better than me... I guess that's right.



BUT OH WELL,

I GUESS THAT'S JUST THE WAY THINGS ARE.



THE ONLY THING I HAVE THAT'S BETTER THAN HIM IS MY GOOD LOOKS.

PROBABLY  
VERY  
COMPETITIVE.

BUT I  
GUESS TWIN  
BROTHERS  
ARE

I SEE...

THEY  
MUST BE  
RIVALS...

I DON'T KNOW  
THE SITUATION  
THAT WELL.

IS IT  
BECAUSE  
YOU WANT  
TO LOOK  
LIKE ANGELO  
AGASSI?

... I'VE BEEN  
MEANS TO  
ASK THIS, BUT  
IS THE REASON  
YOU HAVE YOUR  
HAIR LONG AND  
WEAR THAT  
HEADBAND .

ANGIE?  
... I'M NOT  
SURE...

... THAT'S  
A GOOD  
ONE THAT

... WHY'RE  
YOU  
STARING  
AT ME?

SHOON  
BUT YOU  
STILL ONLY  
LOVE HIM  
FOR HIS  
LOOKS.

THAT'S NOT  
TRUE. I'M  
RATSUKA  
SHOON'S  
FAN-

AK,  
SHUT UP.

THAT'S FINE  
AND ALL, BUT  
JUST DO ME  
A FAVOR AND  
DON'T MIMIC  
HIS SPORTS-  
WEAR.

SHOONSHOON.  
I'M A HUGE  
FAN OF HIS.

LOOKING  
NOW, YOU'RE  
PROBABLY  
SHOON'S  
FAN.

WE  
SEEN  
A LOT  
ALONG



I REALLY DON'T  
WANT TO  
GET CLOSE  
TO HIM.

BECAUSE TO  
REMEMBER  
ALL THOSE  
SAD  
FEELINGS.



THE  
IMMATURE,  
FUNNY BOY,  
TETSU.



FOR SOME  
REASON,

I FEEL  
HAPPY...



BUT  
WHenever  
WE'RE  
HANGING  
AND TALKING  
TOGETHER

UNDER THE  
SHADE OF  
A TREE...

And you  
remind  
ME OF  
someone  
I missed.

I know.  
Someone's  
really hot.

Oh.  
Last his  
whole a  
decade, can't  
be older, maybe?

But I  
want with  
that old  
man. Can  
you please  
stop.



WHACK



BAM



WHIZ



SMACK

YAAAAAAAAAAAAAY!!

Good work,  
Tetsu!!

Game and second  
set won by Yui.

ALL  
RIGHT,  
BRING IT  
ON!!

HE IS  
PRETTY  
RECK-  
LESS

Tsui

And  
during  
the  
tournament

HE DID A  
SERVICE  
DASH ON  
HIS SECOND  
SERVE.

BUT I'M  
IMPRESSED.

YOU  
LOOKED  
REALLY  
GREAT,  
TETSU

1-0 2-0

Game one by Yu.

Series count 3-0

WAAAAH!

1-0

2-0



NOW'S MY  
CHANCE!

THE SIDE  
OF THE  
COURT IS  
OPEN.

Whap

WASH

THIS GAME  
HAS TURNED  
COMPLETELY  
INTO TERESA'S  
FACE

LOOKS  
LIKE  
HE'LL  
BE  
OKAY  
NOW

WOOWWW,  
WE DID TWO  
SERVACE  
BREAKE IN  
A ROW





CLUNK

?!

THROB

MURMUR

I HOPE IT'S  
NOTHING  
SERIOUS.

YEAH,  
LOOKS  
LIKE HE  
SPRAINED  
IT.

DID TETSU  
HURT HIS  
FOOT...PY

PLEASE,  
WIN.

3-1

THAT  
CAN'T BE...

HE ONLY  
HAS THREE  
GAMES  
LEFT.

3-2





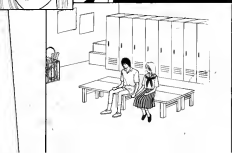


I DON'T KNOW

I DON'T KNOW WHAT  
WOULD CHEER HIM UP...

WHAT I'M  
SUPPOSED TO  
SAY TO HIM







I SPRAINED  
MY ANKLE  
BECAUSE  
I WASN'T IN  
GOOD ENOUGH  
SHAPE



WHAT A RELIEF.  
HE'S THE SAME  
OLD CHEERFUL  
TETSU AGAIN.

I'M REALLY  
RELIEVED...

OKAY  
STARTING TOMOR-  
ROW, I'M WORKING  
OUT HARDER!

HE WON'T  
GET ME  
NEXT TIME!



NOTHING

I'M THE ONE  
WHO SHOULD  
BE SAYING  
THANKS SON.



THANKS  
FOR  
WALKING  
ME HOME

IT  
WAS



"In the summer  
the ground gets  
too dry, so  
every day,  
it is sprinkled  
with water."



HAH?

...IT'S YOUR  
TURN TO  
SPRAY THE  
WATER  
TODAY,  
TOO?"



WITH TEFELL  
HILL.

ACCEP-  
T-ABLE

NOT  
AT ALL

OH WELL,  
FINE BY ME



HEAR

ARE  
YOU  
UPSET  
BEING  
PAIRED  
WITH  
ME?"

OF COURSE!  
IT'S A  
NECESSITY  
WHEN WATER-  
SPRINKING

OTHERWISE,  
I COULDN'T  
STAND SPRINKING  
WATER FOR SUCH  
A LONG TIME



DID YOU  
BRING YOUR  
TAPE AND  
HEADPHONES?



TRADING  
TAPES WITH  
ME?"

I'VE BEEN  
WANTING TO  
LISTEN TO  
DAM WAKI FOR  
A WHILE



WOULD  
YOU...



WHAT KIND  
OF MUSIC  
DID YOU  
BRING?"

I  
BROUGHT  
DAM WAKI

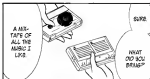
## FREE TALK ③

In Japan, every April and every October, there are two big tennis matches: the Japan Open and the Sankei Super Tennis. I always buy tickets and go to both of them every year. However...

This year, both tournaments happen around the same time. I'm usually super busy with deadlines for the manga, so I'm rarely able to actually go.

In some cases, I have the tickets and I never even go at all, and in others, I might only go to see one game. By the time the manga comes out, the Japan Open should just be ending... I wonder if I can go this year? I'm not too sure about that. "Awesandrop"

But I wrote *Green Age* while the television tournament was going on on TV, so I remember drawing this as I had the TV on. I was really shocked, though, that this year it was broadcast on the cable station, Wowow (because I don't get cable and I don't plan on getting cable) I sure hope next year, it's on network television again.



"They speak with their  
mouths but their hearts  
speak more loudly."



THEN I GUESS  
I'LL FINISH UP  
THIS COURT...

HUH? I WONDER  
IF THAT WAS THE  
LAST SONG?

I GUESS IT  
HAS BEEN 45  
MINUTES.







I've fallen  
in love  
with you.



You can  
answer...  
any time you  
feel like it.

If you don't  
mind, I'd like  
to go out  
with you.

WHAT DID HE  
JUST SAY...

WHAT?

THE  
WATER!!  
THE  
HOSE!!

AAAAH!  
HATAHO!

I LET MY  
THUMB  
RELAX!

DAMN

SPLASHSHSH

AAAAH!



DON'T  
WORRY...  
I'M SURE  
IT'LL BE  
GONE BY  
MORNING.

I'M  
SORRY

When that big head  
of a monster showed up,  
the ancient water...



Puddle



IT JUST  
HAPPENED...  
SHOCKED  
YOU WHEN  
YOU HEARD  
THAT PART  
OF THE  
TAPE

NO,  
I SHOULD  
APOLOGIZE



THANKS

HATAKE,

I

THANKS



NO...  
I CAN'T!



HAIKUNO?!



I'M  
SORRY



SO...  
AM...

I'M NOT  
RIGHT FOR  
HIM.



BECAUSE I  
DATED HIS  
TWIN.

I CAN'T

BUT HE  
DOESN'T KNOW  
ABOUT THAT...

IS HE  
FOUND  
GUY

HE'D GET  
HARD.

AND HE  
WOULDN'T HAVE  
ANYTHING  
TO DO WITH ME  
ANYMORE...!!



YOU'RE  
JUST  
TRYING  
TO AVOID  
TETSU.

WHAT  
HAPPENED?



IT'S  
OBVIOUS.

DURING BREAK  
TODAY, YOU RAN  
INTO THE GIRL'S  
BATHROOM WHEN  
TETSU TRIED TO  
TALK TO YOU.

HOW'D  
YOU  
FEEL?



OWWWW  
THAT WAS  
REAL  
PAINFUL.

PLEASE,  
LET ME  
GOOOO.

I'M NOT  
LEAVING  
YOU OTCH.

OH, NO YOU  
DON'T, KIKAO.



WHAT  
WAS  
THAT?



ENOUGH.

COME  
ON!

REUNING  
AWAY FROM  
YOUR  
PROBLEMS  
WON'T  
SOLVE  
THEM.



I GUESS  
THEY  
HAVE A  
PRACTICE-  
TOURNAMENT.

...THAT'S  
THE  
BASEBALL  
CLUB  
FROM  
HIGH  
SCHOOL.





YES,

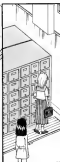
WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT,

MAD? DON'T TELL ME...

TETSU  
EVERYTHING  
ABOUT US.

I  
GUESSED.

BLACK-KIM  
WILL TELL.



...NOW  
LOVE  
TETSU.

DOUT  
YOUR?



AKA-  
KON

THIS IS  
AWFUL!

NOW  
TETSU WILL  
HATE ME!



WHAT  
SHOULD  
I DO,  
ERP?

I LOVE  
TETSU...



I DO



I PRAYED  
HOME FROM  
SCHOOL

FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL  
DAYS UNTIL THE  
LAST DAY OF THE  
SEMESTER.

BUT  
I LET THE  
ANSWERING  
MACHINE  
GET IT...

I WANT TO  
FORGET  
ABOUT  
TETSU.

AND I HOPE TETSU  
ALSO FORGETS...  
ABOUT ME.

DURING  
THE LONG  
SUMMER  
VACATION,

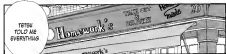
TETSU  
CALLED ME  
UP THREE

I WAS  
TOO  
SCARED  
TO FACE  
TETSU.





LACRY-  
FOU...



TETSU  
TOLD ME  
EVERYTHING



NO...

THAT'S  
NOT IT.



BUT CAN  
YOU NOT  
SEE  
BECAUSE  
YOU'RE  
STILL MAD  
AT HER?

OR IS  
THERE  
SOMEONE  
ELSE...



BUT YOU  
SHOULD  
PROBABLY  
GIVE HIM  
A BETTER  
REASON

IF YOU DON'T  
WANT TO GO  
OUT WITH HIM,  
I CAN  
UNDERSTAND  
THAT.

IT MIGHT  
SEEM NERD  
COMING  
FROM ME,







WHE DID YOU THINK  
MY FEELINGS WOULD  
CHANGE FOR  
YOU AFTER I  
FOUND OUT  
ABOUT HOW  
AND WHY?

...SO ABOUT  
WHAT I WAS  
SAYING.



YOU'RE  
LIES, AND  
I KNOW IT.

IT WOULD  
NEVER WORK  
BETWEEN  
US.

BUT  
WHY?

BECAUSE



I'LL  
ADMIT  
I WAS  
SHOCKED,

AND  
I CAN'T  
SAY I WAS  
HAPPY TO  
HEAR THAT,  
BUT IT'S  
ALL IN  
THE PAST,  
RIGHT?

YOU'RE  
LIES!

IN THAT  
CASE, I  
DON'T  
MIND



IT WOULD  
SEEM LIKE  
I'M ONLY  
GOING OUT  
WITH YOU  
BECAUSE  
YOU'RE  
BETTER,

SMARTER  
BETTER  
THAN ME  
DOWN

BECAUSE

THEN IT  
WOULD  
SEEM  
LIKE...



THAT'S  
NOT  
GOOD.

NOW HE'S  
SURE TO  
HATE ME...

I HURT  
TERESA'S  
PRIDE.

I SAID IT



SO THAT'S  
ALL YOU  
WERE  
WORRIED  
ABOUT?

OH.



RIGHT?

THAT  
MEANS  
I BEAT  
HIM.

SINCE LAD  
DUMPED YOU,  
THAT MEANS  
I HAVE BETTER  
TASTE IN  
WOMEN THAN  
HE DOES.

THAT'S  
A REALLY  
OVERBASS  
REASON  
IF YOU  
ASK ME.



YOU SILLY,  
AMATEUR DEAT,  
TETSU!

I'M GLAD I  
FOUND YOU.





PLEASE

STAY WITH ME  
FOREVER.

OKAY...?



HEY, PLEASIN  
HOW ABOUT  
MY RACKET,  
DON'T YOU



THE MYTH  
OF ALL  
BEING  
LEFT  
AND I  
HAD IT JUST  
CHANGED

OOPS,  
NOW  
CAN'T  
ME?



LEON

THAT  
MAKES  
ME WANT  
TO HAVE  
A BOY-  
FRIEND

The  
Pleasure  
Come  
to  
me



Green Day / END



And the main  
character is  
her, Kionji!

At the  
time,  
they were  
popular  
movies.

The next two  
issues are short  
memorabilia that  
were originally a  
special in Russian  
Magazine.



# GO GO KENJI-KUN!!

## Sadam Hussein and Sushi



## Take the ball



# GO GO

He gets into it so easily ②



He gets into it so easily ①





# FROM WATARU To You



No way!  
What?  
What?

What  
Vacations  
already  
over?

AFTER ATTENDING  
FANTASY WORLD AND  
FINISHING UP ALL THE  
ERRANDS I HAD BEEN  
PUTTING OFF DURING  
HANDSOME, AND  
AFTER MOVING, I  
FINALLY REALIZED...

AND SUDDENLY,  
IT WAS OVER...



AFTER I  
FINISHED  
WRITING  
HANDSOME,  
I TOOK A  
3-MONTH  
VACATION.

BUT.

BUT EVEN SO, SINCE REBORN  
READERS OFTEN WRITE A LOT OF  
LETTERS, EVERY MONTH, I GET  
HUNDREDS... AND SOMETIMES  
EVEN A THOUSAND LETTERS, SO  
I ONLY SENT RESPONSES  
TO A SELECTED FEW.

I ALSO PUT  
OUT SOME  
POSTCARDS TO  
PEOPLE WHO SENT  
ME FAN-LETTERS.  
ABOUT 200  
POSTCARDS.



AH, BUT I DO WISH  
FOR REPLIES TO MY  
REPLIES (LIKE A SIMPLE,  
"I GOT YOUR POSTCARD,  
THANKS") JUST SO I  
KNOW THEY MADE IT.



Just  
responding  
to this word  
took a lot  
of time

BUT  
THIS WAS  
THE BEST  
I COULD  
DO...

SORRY  
IF YOU  
DIDN'T GET  
A REPLY





AND  
SO...



ARE  
YOU ALL  
SATISFIED  
NOW?



HERE  
WE GO!

THIS IS  
THE SCENE  
OF THEIR  
WEDDING.

I could  
define  
around 24  
or 25.



Fin

# SHORT STORY

